



ENERGY COAST UTC

EMPOWERING FUTURE GENERATIONS



**TRANSITION
INFORMATION**



WELCOME TO ENERGY COAST UTC

Welcome to Energy Coast UTC, where we prepare students to meet the growing demand for highly skilled engineers and civil engineers in West Cumbria. We do this by ensuring that every student maximises their academic potential, experiences a wide range of enrichment activities and secures industry standard technical qualifications. When it comes to moving schools, we know how daunting this can be so our aim is to provide you with everything you need to know to prepare you for your start with us in September. This transition booklet will provide you with information about uniform, transport, the school day, the team at UTC and much more. If you have any further questions, do not hesitate to contact enquiries@energycoastutc.co.uk

PASTORAL TEAM



Cherry Akred

Head of Year Year 11



Andrew Dunn

Head of Year Year 11



Stacey Morton

Head of Year 10



Carley Fletcher

Attendance and Welfare
Officer



Andrew Davidson

Head of KS 5

[UTC Staff – Energy Coast University Technical College](#)

SCHOOL DAY, TERM DATES & IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES

MONDAY – THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:30 Registration	08:30 Period 1
08:45 Period 1	09:30 Break
09:45 Period 2	09:40 – Period 2
10:45 – 11:00 Break	10:40 Period 3
11:00 Period 3	11:40 -12:10 Lunch
12:00 Period 4	12:10 Period 4
13:00 Lunch	13:00 End of School Day
13:30 Period 5	
14:30 Period 6	
15:30 End of School Day	

The term dates for 2026/2027 academic year are on the school website:

[The UTC Day & Term Dates – Energy Coast University Technical College](#)

ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING

There will be another set of Cognitive Ability Tests (CATs) in the first few weeks of the new term—performance in these tests and the June tests will be evaluated and converted into a set of indicative targets. This will be used to assign initial classes for each student.

In the first term we will also let you know how your child has settled into the UTC and address any concerns through form tutor meetings. Beyond this we will inform you of academic performance in assessments each term. This will build to a set of mock exams in June 2027.

We hope that you will interact with us regularly if you have any questions about student progress at UTC.



Our aim is to prepare students to meet the demand for highly skilled engineers and civil engineers in Cumbria and the world. We do this by ensuring that every student maximises their academic potential, experiences a wide range of enrichment activities and secures industry standard technical qualifications.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

If you are unsure whether your child is eligible for free school meals, please visit the Cumberland Council website for eligibility criteria and information on how to apply.

If your child receives Free School Meals (FSM) this doesn't transfer automatically. You must either update your details on the Cumberland Council portal or submit a new application to ensure continuous support. [Citizen Portal - Sign in](https://ems.cumberland.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en) (https://ems.cumberland.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en)

SCHOOL CANTEEN PARENTPAY AND SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Our school canteen has exceptional menus on each week, and hold a themed day once a month to celebrate national events or cultural events. The school menu can be viewed on our website.

[School Menu – Energy Coast University Technical College](#)

Students pay for their meals using a PIN code which will be provided at Parent-Tour day on 2nd September. School photographs will be taken on Monday 7th September 2026.

School lunch accounts and school trips can be paid for via ParentPay, which is an online platform allowing you to pay via debit card. Login details will be issued directly from ParentPay.

IPADS AND PHONES

Following recent government guidance, we no longer permit iPads in school for new students. Existing students who currently use iPads will be allowed to continue for the remaining time at the UTC as we gradually phase them out.

We operate a "**No See, No Hear**" mobile phone policy. Students may bring a mobile phone to school, but it must be switched off and locked in a school-issued phone sleeve when they arrive at the UTC. The sleeve must remain locked throughout the school day and can only be unlocked as students leave at the end of the day.

LOCKERS

Lockers are available to hire for a **£5.00 refundable deposit** and will be allocated on a **first-come, first-served basis**. Payments can be made at the **Parent Tutor Day on 2 September 2026** or during the first week of September. Locker keys will be issued shortly after allocation.

The £5.00 deposit will be refunded when the locker key is returned at the end of your child's time at the UTC. If the key is lost, the deposit will not be refunded.

If your child would like to hire a locker, please send **£5.00 in cash** in a sealed envelope to the Parent Tutor Day. Please clearly write your child's name and form tutor on the front of the envelope.

UNIFORM

Additional uniform can be ordered any time during the school year and will be delivered directly to the school and handed out to your child. For login information and instructions how to order uniform, please visit our website.

[Uniform – Energy Coast University Technical College](#)

EQUIPMENT LIST

We expect all students to start the academic year with the correct equipment and have these available everyday:

- Black pen (more than one - we recommend three)
- Green pen
- Purple pen
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Rubber
- Highlighter
- Mathematical compass
- Mathematical protractor
- DAL Scientific Calculator
- Safety boots
- PE Kits (Years 10 and 11 only)

Stationary is available from the school stationary shop.

BEHAVIOUR

All students at the UTC have a responsibility to act in accordance with our Behaviour Policy at all times, both on and off-site, and contribute to a positive and supportive culture and environment. All students are expected to follow our behaviour and culture booklet which will be given to you on your first day. This booklet outlines our vision for a work place ready, professional student. The very basic requirements are

- Be on time to school and your lessons.
- Wear the correct uniform
- Treat all with respect and kindness
- Be engaged with your learning
- Enter lessons calmly
- No mobile phones

Students have a right to expect sanctions to be applied for poor behaviour which make clear distinctions between serious and minor infringements of expected standards. Sanctions are applied fairly, consistently, proportionately and reasonably, taking account of SEND, disability and the needs of vulnerable students, and offering support as appropriate.

INCLUSION

At Energy Coast UTC, we believe that every young person is unique, and that the best possible start to their journey with us begins with us truly knowing them as an individual. The more we understand about your child's strengths, interests, aspirations, needs, and any challenges they may face, the better we can support them to feel happy, confident, and successful.

Effective communication and information sharing between home and school are a vital part of a smooth transition. We encourage you to share anything that you feel will help us understand your child better, whether this relates to their learning, wellbeing, friendships, health, personal circumstances, or any worries they may have about starting with us.

No piece of information is too small if it helps us to support your child. We value the partnership we build with families and encourage you to contact us at any time with questions, concerns, or information you feel we should know.

If you need to get in touch or have any supporting documentation that we can use to aid the support process please contact our SENCo, Emma Jackson via email at emma.jackson@energycoastutc.co.uk

By working together from the very beginning, we can ensure that every student at Energy Coast UTC receives the care, support, and opportunities they need to thrive.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance is essential to ensure students receive the best grades possible, we have a dedicated Attendance & Welfare Officer, Carley Fletcher. We have high expectations around attendance, and we hope with your support, we can ensure the best outcomes for all students. To report your child's absence please call the main school line on 01900 606446 option 1.

Every School Day Counts



SEPTEMBER-PARENT-TUTOR APPOINTMENTS

As usual we will start our new academic year with Parent-Tutor appointments which will last 30 mins. These appointments will be held at 08:45-09:15am or 5:00 5:30pm on Wednesday 2nd September 2026. This is a meeting where students and parents meet their form tutor and we share all the new things about our UTC and the new year; student timetables, teacher contact details, the school calendar etc. It is also an opportunity for you to make sure we have all the correct and up to date information about your contact details, health etc, and opportunity to share evidence of need with the Inclusion (SEND) team.

Please contact pastoral@energycoastutc.co.uk if you have any queries.

EDULINK ONE

EduLink One is the platform that we use for all school to home contact. Students can access their timetable and all relevant information. Information about access will be shared at Parent-Tutor day and this will allow you to monitor behaviour and rewards.



[EduLink One](https://www.edulinkone.com/#!/login) (<https://www.edulinkone.com/#!/login>)

WORK EXPERIENCE



Essential skills play a crucial role in shaping our future career goals, enabling us to perform any job, anywhere. The more robust our essential skills are, the greater are our chances of pursuing the job roles we desire. At the UTC, we intentionally incorporate the essential skills from the Skills Builder framework into every lesson and conversation. We do this because our employer partners, such as Morgan Sindall and Sellafield, recognize their value. More

importantly we utilise these skills to cultivate our students into employable young individuals who employers view as their future work force. Our work experience week is Monday 22nd to Thursday 25th March 2026.

TRIPS AND VISITS

As you are already aware the UTC values providing as many enrichment opportunities as we can. A number of international visits take place during the year alongside a range of reward and curriculum visits.

Two of our international visits are:

- An amazing opportunity for sixth form to volunteer in Kenya in July 2027.
- An opportunity to take part in an exciting international educational visit to Iceland, Toronto and New York City from 8th to 15th January 2027.

If you would like to discuss either of these opportunities further please contact:

Lena.Kokkolas@energycoastutc.co.uk

Students eligible for Pupil Premium funding may be entitled to financial assistance towards the cost of the visit. Additional support may also be available through the Mary Graves Trust, subject to eligibility criteria.

Further information can be found at: <https://www.cumbriafoundation.org/fund/mary-grave-trust-fund/>



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‘Leaders ensure that pupils have an effective transition from their previous schools into the Energy Coast UTC. This timely support helps pupils to settle quickly into their studies and most learn well’

- Ofsted 2023

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